**Critical Literacy Questions**

**GROUND RULES for Discussion**

1. Everyone listens/responds kindly both in and out of the group about what is said.
2. It’s okay to disagree.
3. Use “I” statements.

**About the Message**

* What was the message?
* How does it make you feel?
* Who made it?
* For whom?
* What information is included?
* What information is left out?
* Who (individuals/groups) was included?
* Who (individuals/groups) was not included?
* Who has the most power in this message?
* Who has the least power in this message?
* What is the point of view?
* How are social issues (race/ethnicity, female/male, rich/poor, age, etc.) portrayed?

**Your Thoughts**

* Do you agree?
* Is it realistic?
* Does it work for everyone?
* Does it work all the time?
* What questions do you have?

**Others’ Thoughts**

* What might other people think and feel?
* What might other groups think and feel?
* What questions might others have?

**Is It Fair?**

* What if this were told from another perspective?
* Does the message intentionally or unintentionally perpetuate any social inequality or injustice?
* If we put the message into practice, is it fair for everyone?

**Action Steps**

* What can we do to help the world be more kind and fair for everyone?